

BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 19, 2023

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, October 19, 2023 at 5:30 P.M. in the District Board Room. President, Mark Minor called the meeting to order.

Board members present: Mark Minor, President; Marci Glover, Secretary; Jim Giacone; and Stacia Sloan.
Board members absent: Shane Cockrum, Jay Copple and Robin LaBuwi.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Recording Secretary; Kenise Head, Recording Secretary Trainee; Heather Mitchell, Curriculum/Technology Director; Ryan Miller, Assistant Principal/AD; Cole Buchanan, Student Council Representative; and a parent.

4. CURRICULUM DIRECTOR REPORT-Advisory Period Heather Mitchell presented the report.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

5.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel

Jim Giacone made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of Personnel. Stacia Sloan seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Recording Secretary; and Kenise Head, Recording Secretary Trainee entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:45 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 6:12 P.M. Mark Minor, President called the roll. Answering present: Jim Giacone – yes, Stacia Sloan – yes, Mark Minor – yes, and Marci Glover – yes. Board members absent: Shane Cockrum, Jay Copple, and Robin LaBuwi.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Recording Secretary; Kenise Head, Recording Secretary Trainee; Ryan Miller, Assistant Principal/AD; Cole Buchanan, Student Council Representative; and a parent.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Approve Minutes: Regular Board Meeting Minutes, September 21, 2023
Executive Board Meeting Minutes, September 21, 2023
Budget Hearing Minutes, September 21, 2023

6.2 Approve Financial Report (September 2023)

6.3 Approve Payment of Bills (September 2023)

6.4 Approve Republic Services Agreement Change (ENCL A)

6.5 Approve Creation of Activity Account for the “Ranger Reserve” Club

Marci Glover made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Jim Giacone – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Mark Minor – yes, and Stacia Sloan – yes. Motion Carried. A copy of Enclosure A has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

Mr. Johnson commented on the following:

- School Report Card Review
- Project Update
- Financial Update

Written reports from Principal Docherty and Assistant Principal/AD Miller were given.

8. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Assignment of Personnel Jim Giacone made a motion to assign Gretchen Bennett to the Musical Band stipend position for the 2023-24 school year. Stacia Sloan seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Jim Giacone made a motion to assign Jay Copple to the Musical Set Construction stipend position for the 2023-24 school year, noting that the stipend is less than the \$1,000 threshold for board members. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Stacia Sloan made a motion to assign Macy Sanchez as the assistant speech coach for the 2023-24 school year. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.2 Review/Approve Posting of Open Positions

10.3 Review/Approve Amended 2023-24 School Calendar Jim Giacone made a motion to approve the 2023-24 calendar as presented. Stacia Sloan seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this calendar has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

10.4 Review/Approve Purchase of Driver Education Van Stacia Sloan made a motion to approve the purchase of a used 2023 Chrysler Pacifica for the purpose of driver education. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.5 Review/Approve Agreement for Audio Consultation Jim Giacone made a motion to approve the agreement for audio consultation with Logic Systems as presented. Stacia Sloan seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this agreement has been attached to these minutes.

10.6 Authorization to Give Notice of Invitation to Let Bids for Acoustic and Public Address Upgrades to Rich Herrin Gymnasium

10.7 Review/Approve Intergovernmental Agreement by and between The Benton Civic Center and BCHS District 103 Jim Giacone made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement by and between The Benton Civic Center and BCHS District 103 as presented. Stacia Sloan seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this agreement has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

10.8 Review/Approve Educational Affiliation Agreement between BCHS and the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University Stacia Sloan made a motion to approve the Educational Affiliation Agreement between BCHS and the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University as presented. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this agreement has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

10.9 Review/Approve Surplus Property as Presented Marci Glover made a motion to approve the surplus property as presented. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

11. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS

12. ADJOURNMENT Jim Giacone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 P.M. Stacia Sloan seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY